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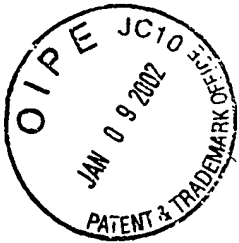
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I. SUBMITTED UNITED STATES PATENT REFERENCES

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
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II. SUBMITTED FOREIGN PATENT REFERENCES

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Date of Publication</u>
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III. OTHER DOCUMENTS

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IV. EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The references were cited in European Patent Office Search Report of February 2, 2001, in counterpart European Patent Application No. 00116615.6. A copy of the Search Report is submitted herewith.

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